

Thailand
Unforgettable.

Map of Hua Hin



HUA HIN - CHA-AM

Hua Hin and Cha-am have long been recognized as glamorous summer retreats for the Thai elite and aristocracy from Bangkok. Now foreign visitors are also falling in love with these laidback destinations that have white beaches and a tropical climate. Whether it is a long weekend or regular holidays, these twin beaches are always filled with visitors wishing to bask in the relaxed atmosphere of the renowned seaside towns.

While Hua Hin is a perfect combination of natural tranquility and cultural grandeur, Cha-am, on the other hand, is more vibrant, busy and a fun-filled destination with water sports and horse riding on the beach, and succulent seafood for both restaurants and food stalls. Various accommodation options are available, ranging from first-class international resorts to local guesthouses. With a variety of relaxing activities such as spas, Hua Hin and Cha-am are two of Thailand's best-kept holiday secrets.



Getting There

By Car

1. Rama II Route (Highway No.35, Thon Buri-Pak Tho): Samut Sakhon - Samut Songkhram - Phetchaburi - Hua Hin - Pran Buri
2. Phetchkasem Route (Highway No.4, Pinklao - Nakhon Chaisi): Nakhon Pathom - Ratchaburi - Phetchaburi

By Bus

Daily buses to Hua Hin-Cha-am are available from Bangkok's Southern Bus Terminal, 6.00 a.m. - 8.15 p.m. For more information, please call 66 2435 5605, 66 2931 8097.

By Train

Take southern railway lines from Bangkok's Railway Station (Hua Lamphong) or Thon Buri railway station. For more information call 1690, 66 2222 0175, 66 2621 8701 (Hua Lamphong), 66 2253 4014-6, 66 2411 3102 (Thon Buri).

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Built by the Royal command of King Rama VI, the place is usually referred to as "the Palace of Love and Hope". Open daily. Group visitors are required to write a formal inquiry to the director of Rama VI Military Camp. For more information, call 66 3250 8028 and 66 3247 1388.



Rama V. This rainy season palace, together with Phet Prasat Throne, is of a European architectural style. The palace's interior is marvelously decorated with colorful porcelain ware. Open daily. For more information, call 66 3242 8038, 66 3242 8506.



1. Hat Hua Hin: 68 km. from the city of PhetchaburiK11

Thailand's oldest and most traditional seaside resort has long been a favourite weekend and summer retreat since the reign of King Rama VI. And the 5-kilometre-long white sand beach (Chopstick Mountain) is a perfect sanctuary for getting away from it all.



not only a nursery of various kinds of fish, but it is also a wonderful place for casual rafting and sightseeing. You can charter a long-tailed boat to soak up the sights of Som Island, explore the source of the Phetchaburi River or try fishing. A wide range of restaurants offering great local food are available too.



2. Hat Cha-am: 40 km. from the city of PhetchaburiK8/Cc15

Phetchaburi's most popular beach, Cha-am is well known for its two contrasting charms. The north of the beach is lively, with scores of beach chairs and vivid sun umbrellas like the scene at Hat Bang Saen. The south, on the other hand, is spacious and far more peaceful, as it is located next to Hat Hua Hin.



are easy to get to and boast an array of restaurants and accommodation. Hat Puek Tian is a popular photographic spot where many sculptures of fictional characters from the work of Thailand's most famous poet, Sunthon Phu, are located.



3. Phra Nakhon Khiri Historical Park (City on the Mountain) City of Phetchaburi: 8.00 a.m.-4.30 p.m.

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Locally referred to as "Khao Wang", this famous historical site of Phetchaburi is Thailand's first summer palace complex ever constructed on top of a mountain. The place provides visitors with a unique fusion of neoclassical, Thai and Chinese architectural styles-a combination that makes the park a very worthwhile destination in itself. The main attractions are Phra Kaeo Noi Temple, which was built as a royal chapel according to traditional beliefs, and Phrathat Chomphet, a big white pagoda located at the center. Open daily. Call 66 3240 1006, 66 3242 5600.



Inside the cave is the exquisitely built Phra Thinang Khuha Kharuehat, a Thai-style, four-porched wooden pavilion constructed during the reign of King Rama V. A nearby attraction is a large banyan tree with aerial roots-a romantic archway created by nature. It is believed that walking under this arch will be a blessing, especially when it comes to love. Couples will find their bond of love strengthened, while those who are single will find the love of their lives.



4. Maruekhathaiyawan Palace: 10 km. from Cha-am Beach 8.30 a.m.- 4.00 p.m.K9/Bb19

This summer palace consists of a two-storey, grand, golden teak pavilion with a series of halls connected to each other.



A regular meeting point for both beginners and professional birdwatchers is a small nursery pond where one can stroll around to explore the diversity of mangrove forests. The best period for visiting the place is from September to April. The black backed Russian gull (only seen during the migratory period) can be spotted at San Sai, which is reachable via a boat trip from the pier.



5. Phra Ram Ratchaniwet: (Ban Puen Palace) Damrongkrak Road, city of Phetchaburi 8.00 a.m.- 4.00 p.m.

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Originally called Wang Ban Puen, it was built under the Royal command of King Rama V. This rainy season palace, together with Phet Prasat Throne, is of a European architectural style. The palace's interior is marvelously decorated with colorful porcelain ware. Open daily. For more information, call 66 3242 8038, 66 3242 8506.



for dipping or chilling out during a stress-free day trip. Birdwatching is also a popular activity. Hornbills are frequently sighted. Various species of butterflies entertain visitors with flying colours.



6. Kaeng Krachan Dam: 50 km. from the city of PhetchaburiG6

A gigantic dam which is 58-meters high and 760-meters long overlooks the peaceful scene of a fresh-water reservoir and its islands. The reservoir is



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Getting Around

Local Buses "Song Thaeo"

"Song Thaeo" buses to various spots are available from the downtown market, Phetchaburi. Fares are 10-40 baht.

Origins - Destinations

Phetchaburi - Bang Ta Bun
 Phetchaburi - Ban Laem
 Phetchaburi - Hat Chao Samran -
 Puek Tian
 Phetchaburi - Ban Lat - Tha Yang
 Phetchaburi - Tha Yang - Cha-am -
 Hua Hin
 Phetchaburi - Tha Yang -
 Kaeng Krachan

Stop

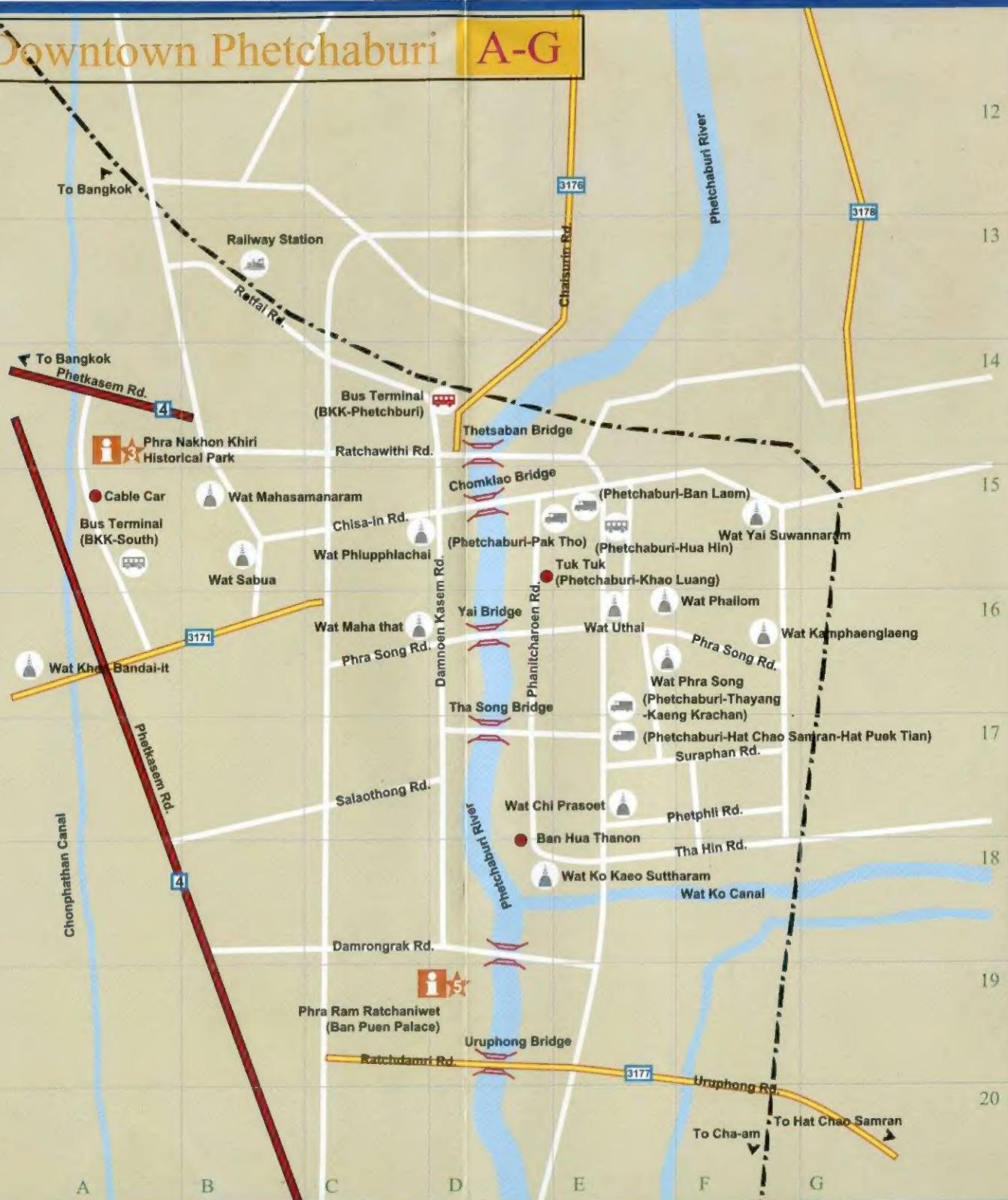
Surinruchai Road
 Saha Thai Department Store
 Wat Tho Road
 Surinruchai Road
 Photharam Road
 Surinruchai Road

Buses from Hua Hin

	Line	Stop
Green "Song Thaeo"	Hua Hin - Ban Takiap	Dechanuchit Rd. Corner
Standard "Song Thaeo"	Hua Hin - Ban Pa La-u	Opposite to Hua Hin Foundation
Red "Song Thaeo"	Hua Hin - Suan Son Pradiphat	Close to 7-11
Red "Song Thaeo"	Pranburi - Pak Nam Pran Buri	Chat Kaeo Market
Orange bus	Hua Hin - Pran Buri	Close to 7-11

Symbols

	Primary Highway		Location Accommodation		Open-Close
	Secondary Highway		Location Restaurant		Admission Fee
	Provincial Highway		Map Key		Market
	Route Numbers		Hill (Khao)		Temple (Wat)
	Railway Track		Cave		Golf Course
	River Canal		Beach		Dam
			Swimming		National Park
	Route Markers		Canoeing		Shopping
	Boat Route		Camping area		Butterfly Garden
	Tambon/Village		Waterfall		Viewpoint
	Amphoe/District		Local Bus		Pier/Port
	Map of Phetchaburi		Local Bus Stop		Banana Boat
	Map of Hua Hin		Fishing		Sailing
	Map of Cha-am				
	Top Attractions				
	Must see				
	Worth a visit				
	Interesting				



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Accommodation

No.	Name	Tel.	Rates	Map Key
	Downtown			
	Khao Wang Hotel	66 3242 5167	250-600	
	Chom Klae	66 3242 5398	130-250	
	Tek Heng Leng	66 3242 5023	250	
	Bua Kaeo	66 3241 0395	360-460	
	Best 88	66 3242 4790,	400-600	
		66 3242 6077		
	P.P. Park	66 3242 8386	100-500	
	Fisherman Village	66 3244 1370-9		
	Royal Diamond	66 3241 1061-70,	1,000-7,000	
		66 3242 8272-3		
	Tha Yang			
	Casuarina Resort	66 3244 3080-2, 66 2 203-0854-6	4,000-14,000	
	Puek Tian Villa	66 3259 1026-7	300-2,500	
	Phet Rim Than Resort	66 3242 7220		
	Hat Phet Resort	66 3259 1045-7	800-5,000	
	Kaeng Krachan			
	Kaeng Krachan Country Club and Resort Cha-am	66 3245 9260-1, 66 2618 7400-1	1,500-7,000 1,000-2,000	
	Kaeng Krachan Riverside Resort	66 3246 1244, 66 1646 6374		
	Phet Nam Nueng	66 3243 7372		
	Ban Rim Kaeng	66 3245 9253		
	Piyachat Resort	66 3245 9246, 66 3243 9212		
	Kaeng Krachan National Park	66 2368 2511, 66 2735 7963		
	Phet Rim Than	66 324 24220, 66 3241 1881		1,500-2,000
	Hat Cha-am			
1	Eurasia Cha-am Lagoon	66 3247 1326-7	2,250-7,000	Dd12
2	Cha-am Cabana Resort	66 3247 1861, 66 3247 2164	800-2,500	Dd12
3	Long Beach Cha-am	66 3247 2444, 66 3243 3800	1,200-3,300	Cc13
4	The Cha-am Methavalai Hotel	66 3243 3250-3	2,118-18,000	Cc14
5	Golden Beach Cha-Am Hotel	66 3243 3833-41	1,400-3,800	Cc14
6	Phai Siri	66 3247 1047, 66 3249 1873		Cc14
7	Ban Santi Calm	66 3247 1512		Cc14
8	Mankong Resort	66 3247 1329	300-600	Cc14
9	Kaen Chan Beach Hotel	66 3247 1314	780-5,700	Cc14
10	Rua Makham Villa	66 3247 1073, 66 3247 1076		Cc14
11	Nirandorin Resort	66 3247 1038	300-500	Bb15
12	Cha-am Golden Villa	66 3247 1881	300-500	Bb15
13	Arunthip	66 3247 1503		Bb15
14	Ban Wiwatthana	66 3247 1289, 66 3247 1298	1,000-3,500	Bb15
15	White Hotel	66 3247 1118, 66 3243 4092-3	400-600	Bb15
16	Narumon Lucky House	66 3247 1440, 66 3243 4009	500-1,800	Bb15
17	Saengthong Condominium	66 3247 1462, 66 3247 1466	600-2,000	Bb15
18	Sawitree Resort	66 3243 4088-9	500-1,500	Bb15
19	Santisuk	66 3247 1212, 66 3247 1214	300-3,500	Bb15
20	Niphon Resort	66 3247 1826	1,200-2,500	Bb15
21	Chom Had	66 3247 1325, 66 3243 3590		Bb15

22	Surisa Guest House	66 3247 2170	Bb15
23	Napa Cha-am	66 3247 1707, 66 3247 2490	500-600 Bb15
24	Ban Kianghad	66 3247 1112	700-1,500
25	Tiptaree Place	66 3247 1879	600-1,200
26	Kuanhat	66 3247 1312	300-2,000
27	Cha-am Villa	66 3247 1086, 66 3247 1241	400-600 Bb16
28	Chit-Rawi Resort	66 3247 1382, 66 3243 3916	400-1,500
29	Cha-am Holiday Lodge	66 3247 1595-9, 66 3247 1062	300-1,200
30	Cha-am Permsook	66 3247 1347	Bb16
31	Phrathanchok House	66 3247 1215	Bb16
32	JJ House	66 3247 1230-1	400-700
33	Somkiat Villa	66 3247 1834-5, 66 3247 0444	400-900
34	Cha-am Marina Resort	66 3247 1851-7	Bb18
35	Suan Buakhat	66 3250 8234-9	2,825-4,120
36	The Regent Cha-am Beach Resort	66 3250 8123-7, 66 3247 1480-90	4,050-7,200
37	Tipviman Resort & Spa	66 3245 1200-8, 66 3250 8077-80	1,900-5,650
38	Dusit Resort & Polo Club	66 3252 0008-32, 66 3244 2100-9	7,561-22,952
39	Springfield Royal Country Club	66 3245 1181-5	Z18
40	The Imperial Lake View Hotel & Golf Club	66 3245 6233-40, 66 3245 6234-9	2,500-6,500

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41	Palm Hill Resort & Country Club	-	Q2
42	Anantra Resort & Spa	66 3252 0250-6, 66 2287 5803	S2
43	Thanan-Chai	66 3251 3431	S3
44	Fresh Inn	66 3251 1389	T5
45	Hilton Hua Hin	66 3251 2879-90	3,400-11,000
46	Sirin	66 3251 2045, 66 3251 1150	T5
47	Sofitel Central Hua Hin	66 3251 2021-40	T5
48	City Beach Resort	66 3251 2870-5	S5
49	Chet Phi Nong	66 3251 2381	S5
50	Siri Phetchakasem Hotel	66 3251 1394-5	R4
51	Golf Inn	66 3251 2473-4	700-800
52	Hua Hin Grand Hotel & Plaza	66 3251 3230-4	S6
53	Ban Chan Chai	66 3253 2374-5, 66 3251 1461	R6
54	Sailom	66 3251 1890-1	R7
55	Chivasom Resort	66 3253 6536	\$2,684-7,698
56	Nern Chalet Hua Hin	66 3251 1288, 66 3251 3528	S7
57	L.D. Hotel	66 3251 2429, 66 3251 3507	R6
58	Hua Hin Sport Villa	66 3251 1453	R7
59	Hua Hin Blue Wave Beach Resort	66 3251 3140, 66 3253 1247	S9
60	Hua Hin Marriott Resort & Spa	66 3251 1881-4	4,500-25,000
61	Hilton Hua Hin Resort & Spa	66 3253 8999	T5
62	Hyatt Regency Hua Hin	66 3252 1234	R8

Pran Buri

63	Evasion Hideaway Hua Hin & Spa Sixsenses Resort	66 3263 2111	4,755-14,148
64	Tanao Si Resort	66 3257 0295-8	3,000-8,500
65	Lawana Beach Resort	66 3263 2222-3	1,200-2,200
66	Baan Pran Resort	66 3263 0598-9	1,800-3,500
67	Prasedan Resort	66 3263 0591	4,400-12,000
68	Aleenta Resort & Spa	66 2519 2044	K14

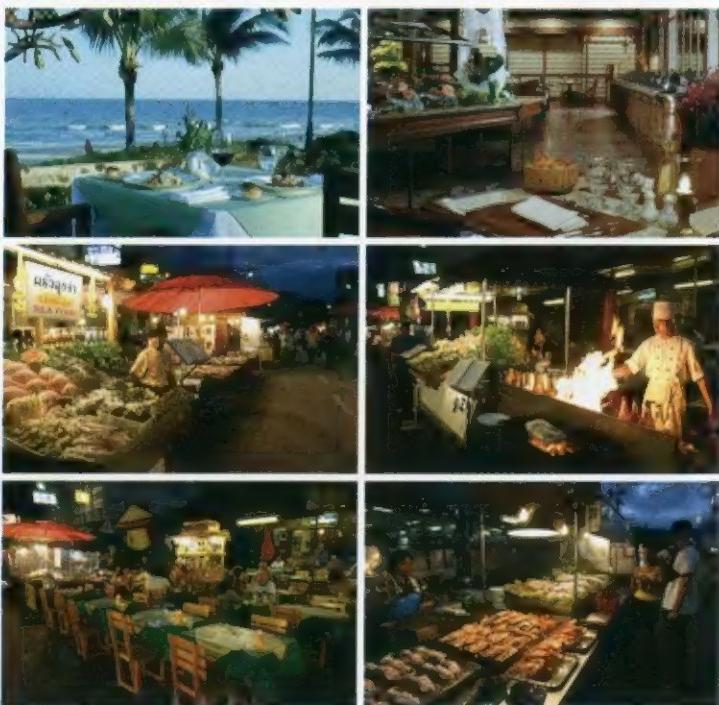


Shopping and Souvenirs

Name	Address	Tel.	Products
Petchaburi-Downtown			
Mae Lamiat	Close to Khao Wang	66 3242 6090	Bokal Egg Custard Sweet Egg Thread "Thong Muan" dessert
Agricultural housewives group	-	66 3244 4153	
Mae Boon Som	Surinruchai Rd.	66 3242 5528	Bokal Egg Custard
Mae Kim Lang	Phetkasem Rd., 8 km. before reaching Tha Yang intersection	-	Bokal Egg Custard
Cha-am			
Khruang Wan Mueang Phet	Phetkasem Rd., Km.180	66 3243 8061-70	Bokal Egg Custard
Rama VI Camp	Phetkasem Rd.	66 3250 8026	Steel knives

Prime Attractions

Hua Hin's Top 10 must-visit places for foodies



1. Chom Thale: Located next to Hua Hin Airport, this restaurant is built in a Balinese style with a profound sense of simplicity. Surrounded by enchanting gardens, Chom Thale has delightful dining ambience. Sitting at one of the wooden tables on the beach, gazing at the sea and savoring freshly prepared seafood is so rewarding. Seabass with fish sauce, stir-fried crab with black peppers, or with salt and chilli, along with mixed seafood spicy

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Hat Hua Hin

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| ★ Sofitel Central Hua Hin | ★★★ T5 |
| ★ Hua Hin Railway Station | ★★★ Q6 |
| ★ Hua Hin Night Market | ★★★ R4 |
| ★ Khao Takiap & Khao Krailat | ★★★ S9/R8 |
| ★ Hin Lek Fai Viewpoints | ★★★ O4 |
| 6. Suan Son Pradiphat | ★★ R10 |
| 7. Wat Ampharam Hua Hin | ★ S5 |
| 8. Wat Klaikangwon | ★ S2 |
| 9. Royal Golf Course | ★ Q5 |

Hat Cha-am

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| 1. Hat Cha-am | ★★★ Cc15 |
| 2. Maruekhathaiyawan Palace | ★★★ Bb19 |
| 3. Wat Neranchararam | ★★ Cc12 |
| 4. Wat Cha-am Khiri | ★ Z14 |
| 5. Wat Nong Chaeng | ★ Aa16 |
| 6. Market | ★ Aa14 |
| 7. Phraram VI Military Camp | ★ Aa19 |
| 8. Cha-am Villa Golf Club | ★ Y14 |
| 9. Spring Field Golf Course | ★ Y19 |
| 10. Palm Hill Golf Course | ★ Z20 |
| 11. Lake View Golf Course | ★ Y19 |



Restaurants

Name	Address	Tel.	Recommended Dishes
Hua Hin			
Railway Restaurant	Sofitel Central Hua Hin	66 3251 2021	Breakfast or Dinner Buffet
Mee Karuna	Naretdamri Road, next to the fish pier	66 3251 1932	Squids with lime
Ban Issara	Naep Khehat Road	66 3253 0574	Groupers
Hua Hin Koti	Phetkasem Road	66 3251 1252	Fried pomfret
Hai Pieng	Phetkasem Road	66 3251 1072	Seafood, Chinese cuisine, pork legs and Chinese buns
Ban Makham	-	66 3251 2070	Spicy duck salad
Chao Lay	Dechanuchit Road	66 3251 3597	Stir-fried crabs with curry powder
Ban Pu Pen	-	66 3251 3436	Fried grouper with chili sauce
Charoen Potchana	Naretdamri Road	66 3251 3751	-
Thara Chan	Phetkasem Road, next to the clock tower	66 1528 3486	-
		66 3251 2168	-
		66 3251 1423	Stir-fried Giant Catfish's eggs with chili and peppers
Cha-am			
Phumi	-	66 3247 1036	-
Nong Chaeng	-	66 3247 1864,	-
		66 3247 1804	-
Che Daeng	-	66 3247 0140	-
Pla Thu	Closed to Novotel Tipviman Hotel	66 3250 8175	-
Khai Muk Kitchen	Ruam Chit Road	66 3247 1870,	-
		66 3243 0376	-
Pran Buri			
Che Mali	Pak Nam Pran Buri	66 3257 0098	Rice noodles with red sauce

soup are among the most frequently ordered dishes. Reservations are strongly recommended, especially during weekends. Call 66 3254 7253 and 66 3254 7254.

2. Ban Issara: Located on Naep Khehat Road, this restaurant offers brilliantly prepared seafood and Thai cuisine. But it's not just the tasty food that attracts Bangkokians to this place. The cozy atmosphere and hip decorations make it a perfect place to dine in for a memorable dinner for two. The list of mouth-watering dishes is endless. Among the most popular dishes are hot stir-fried clams and fried shrimps with holy basil. Call 66 3253 0574 for reservation.

3. Koti: Situated on Phetkasem Road, Dechanuchit Junction, this 13-year-old restaurant may appear to have a pedestrian look, but the food here is guaranteed super delicious. All seafood dishes are worth trying, while local dishes such as stir-fried Chinese cabbage with salted fish and sun-dried mackerel and stir-fried fish with crispy ginger are exquisite. Each dish is reasonably priced. Call 66 3251 1252 for reservations. There is another branch located next to the Provincial Electricity Authority. Thankfully, we don't have to queue up any longer. For reservations, call 66 3251 5350.

4. Railway Restaurant: This place is an outlet of Sofitel Central Hua Hin, is formerly known as the Railway Hotel. The restaurant replicates the traditional interior of a railway station. It serves breakfast and dinner buffets on a daily basis, with a wide variety of seafood such as grilled shrimps, fish and squids, or even Japanese sashimi. Signature dishes such as railway fried rice, railway spicy beef salad, and railway spicy fruit salad are on the lunch and dinner menu. Call 66 3251 2021-38 for more information and reservation.

5. Che Fai (Sawoey): Situated on Phetkasem Road, Km.233.5, this roadside restaurant is well known for serving rice noodles with summered duck that is voted the best in town.

6. Hoi Piang: Traditional Chinese restaurant located on the right side of Phetkasem Road, it offers a diverse menu of delectable dishes such as pork legs, Chinese buns, fried crab balls, salad with clear dressing and stir-fried crab with curry powder. Seafood dishes are also highly recommended. Call 66 3251 1072 and 66 3251 2070 for more information.

7. Chao Lay: This is also a great spot to savor fresh seafood and authentic Thai cuisine. As the name implies, Chao Lay, which is literally translated as a "fishermen", serves only fresh seafood. Popular dishes include fried seabass and stir-fried crab with curry powder. It is located on Naretdamri Road close to a fishing village. Call 66 3251 3436 for reservations.

8. Chom Thale: Located near the top of Khao Takiap, this place not only offers sumptuous and super-fresh seafood dishes, but also provides a spectacular scenery of Hua Hin. A more-than-perfect place to host a romantic dinner, at an affordable price! Call 66 3253 6205 for reservation.

9. Suphatthra: Located on the hillside of Khao Takiap is a Thai restaurant decorated in a Balinese style. The eatery offers a panoramic view of Hua Hin's tranquil sea and provides meals in either the breezy open-air deck, or a private, air-conditioned room. Popular dishes include mixed seafood in baskets, and fried shrimps with sauce. Call 66 3253 6561 for reservation.

10. Gelato Italiano: Home-made Italian ice-cream outlet that never fails to satisfy the demands of ice-cream lovers. With a reputation that precedes many of its competitors, the place is always crowded, even if it's nearly midnight. Gelato Italiano is located next to a supermarket, opposite the City Beach Hotel, which is three blocks before the Sofitel Hotel.

Che Mali Chao Kitchen	Pak Nam Pran Buri Opposite to Khlong Pran Temple	66 3257 0098 66 3263 1302	Rice noodles with red sauce Dried squid and seafood hotpot
Rabiang Bua	Phetkasem Road, around the entrance of Pran Buri Dam	66 3262 1622	-
Wara Garden	On Pran Buri River bank	66 3254 0255	Empress Grouper
Ban Laem Khanom Chan Mae Chira	Phetkasem Road	66 3258 8376	Pandan khanom chan (Thai style) cake
Prachuap Kirikhan Downtown Cake Khlong Wan	Prachuap-Nong Hin Rd.	66 3266 1224	Papaya Salad with fresh shrimps/pastries
Samroi Yot Ban Bang Pu	Samroi Yot National Park		Salted mackerel
Hua Hin Khomaphas	Phetkasem Rd.	66 3251 1250 66 3251 3506	Thai-printed fabrics
Waraphon	Entrance Soi Hua Hin 39, Phetkasem Road	66 3251 1251	Thai-printed fabrics

Regional Cuisine

The seafood in Hua Hin is well known for its freshness. Must-try dishes are oyster omelets and preserved clams with papaya salad. At Pran Buri Market, tender pork and the thick spiced stock of Emperor's rice noodle are two most popular dishes. At Hua Hin Night Market, however, recommended food, dessert and beverage are pork porridge, aromatic coffee, fried Chinese doughnut and soft buns (Salapao). It is recommended that your meal be completed with Roti, a dessert that even movie stars have to queue up for. The stall is located in the middle of Hua Hin Night Market. What's so special about this dessert lies in the special mixture of the dough and a wide variety of fillings: pineapple, pandan custard, coffee, malt, honey, strawberries, eggs, raisins, and marmalade.

Phetchaburi's savory dishes are:

"Khanom Chin Thot Man" rice noodles served with fried fish cakes, topped with chili or sweet sauce.

"Ngop Ping" ground fish mixed with chili paste, wrapped and grilled in banana leaves.

Rice Noodle with Beef and Chilli Sauce rice noodles with peppered meatballs served with hot and spicy chili sauce.

"Kaeng Hua Tan" traditional local cuisine made of meat and young Palmyra palm mixed with chili paste.

"Khao Chae Mueang Phet" well-known local dish that has already become one of Thailand's must refreshing summer dishes. Khao Chae is chilled boiled rice in jasmine-scented iced water served with an array of delicate side dishes that include deep-fried shrimp paste balls and deep-fried stuffed bell peppers. The dish is available from restaurants located around the market or along the Phetchaburi River bank near the railway station.

Phetchaburi is also renowned for its variety of desserts and fruit. After lunch or dinner, "**"Khanom Mo Kaeng"** (baked Thai-style custard), "**"Chao Tan Chueam"** (palm seed in thick syrup), "**"Ta Not Thot"**", "**"Khanom Tan"**", "**"Milk Jelly"**", "**"Fresh Palm Juice"**" and crispy refreshing rose apples are on the must-try list.





Festivals

Phra Nakhon Khiri Fair:

The fair is held annually during the Chinese New Year, around January or February, to celebrate Phetchaburi's cultural heritage- Phra Nakhon Khiri.

Cha-am International Food Festival:

This festival is organized in the middle of each year on Cha-am Beach. It showcases a large numbers of souvenir shops and food stalls from leading hotels.

Hua Hin Jazz Festival:

A festival that has now become a music tradition, the event is held every year right on Hua Hin Beach. Apart from various musical performances by famous international and Thai artists, there are other interesting activities such as a bartender contest and ice-carving displays. For more information, call 66 3247 1005-6.

Prime Attractions

TOP Hotels and Resorts in Hua Hin - Cha-am - Pran Buri



36 The Regent Cha-am:
One of the first and still one of the best hotels located on Hat Cha-am

55 Chivasom Health Resort and Spa:
A world-renowned health and wellness resort and spa.

42 Anantra Resort and Spa:
A world-class hotel with Thai-style architecture set amidst beautiful gardens close to the sea.

47 Sofitel Central Hua Hin and Central Hua Hin Village:
Classy and historic Thai hotel with colonial-style architecture.

38 Dusit Resort and Polo Club:
Stylish five-star hotel with superb service.

61 Hilton Hua Hin Resort and Spa:
Luxurious, international five-star hotel offering Hua Hin's spectacular scenery from a bird's-eye view.

63 Evason Hua Hin Resort and Spa:
Stylish hotel with a private atmosphere and a relaxing ambience.

64 Tanao Si Resort:
Boutique resort with the ageless beauty of Balinese-style architecture.

40 Imperial Lake View:
First-class golf resort offering a complete range of recreational activities and a completely equipped gym.



1. Sofitel Central Hua Hin:

Damnoen Kasem Road.T5

This grand hotel is Thailand's first locally owned hotel and used to be known as the Hua Hin Railway Hotel. Apart from providing first-class

facilities and amenities set in an elegant and glamorous ambience, the hotel also charms its guests with that legendary Thai hospitality. The hotel's nearby golf course, the Hua Hin Golf Club, is available for hotel guests.



2. Hua Hin Railway Station:

Close to Hua Hin Golf ClubQ6

The completion of this station in the reign of King Rama VI helped Hua Hin make its debut on the world tourism stage. The station's landmark is the

magnificent Thai-style wooden pavilions painted in red and white. Pre-World War II steam engines are also exhibited on the other side of the tracks.



3. Hua Hin Night Market:

6.00 p.m. - 12.00 p.m.R4

An attraction food lovers cannot afford to miss, the Hua Hin night market is reputed for its assortment of gastronomic delights and desserts

which are freshly made and reasonably priced. It is also Hua Hin's nightlife highlight where you can go shopping for good-quality T-shirts, shoes, handicrafts, knick-knacks, and a variety of souvenirs.



4. Khao Takiap-Khao Krailat:

14 km. from Hua Hin BeachS9/R8

Located at the southernmost tip of Hat Hua Hin are two seaside hills known as the best viewpoints to see the sky and ocean at sunset. Khao Takiap and Khao

Krailat are easily accessible by car and where replicas of the Buddha's footprints are enshrined.



5. Hin Lek Fai Viewpoint:

Close to Hua Hin Golf ClubO4

This lovely spot is also a wonderful place to watch sunsets over Hua Hin town and the province of Prachuap Khiri Khan. The viewpoint provides six spots

overlooking Hua Hin from all angles, adding more enhanced dimensions to the beauty of the town. A lovely recreational park located nearby is also worth visiting.



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Glossary of Thai Terms

Amphoe	: District
Ao	: Bay
Ban	: Village
Hat	: Beach
Khao	: Mountain
Khlong	: Canal
Ko	: Island
Laem	: Cape
Muko	: Group of Islands
Mueang	: Town or City
Namtok	: Waterfall
Tham	: Cave
Tambon	: Sub-district
Wat	: Temple

Note: English spellings given here try to approximate Thai pronunciation. Posted signs may be spelled differently.

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Hua Hin Railway Station	Tel. 0 3251 1073
Hua Hin Airport	Tel. 0 3252 0180
Hua Hin Hospital	Tel. 0 3252 0401, 0 3252 0371
Hua Hin Police Station	Tel. 0 3251 1027, 0 3251 1743
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